Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) A picture receiver, comprising:

a program information accumulating ~~means for~~unit configured to accumulat~~ing~~e program information about programming available for the picture receiver to receive;

a viewing information obtaining ~~means for~~unit configured to obtain~~ing~~ ~~program~~ viewing information ~~of a currently viewing program~~about programming which the picture receiver has received;

a program recommending ~~means for~~unit configured to recommend a program that is available to be received based on the obtained viewing information and the accumulated program information ~~specifying a recommended program being on the air or to be put on the air within a predetermined time in accordance with program information from the program information accumulating means, program information of the currently viewing program from the viewing information obtaining means, and a predetermined recommendation standard~~; and

a picture displaying ~~means for~~unit configured to display~~ing~~ ~~two pictures of~~ the recommended program and ~~the currently viewing~~an other program simultaneously ~~in accordance with information from the program recommending means~~,

wherein for selecting either the recommended program or the other program by using a remote controller, said picture display unit further displays a remote controller operation guide simultaneously with the recommended program and the other program.

2.   (Currently Amended) The picture receiver of claim 1,

wherein the program recommending means judges whether or not the recommended program matches the ~~currently viewing~~other program, and

the picture displaying means executes a two-picture display wherein the recommended program and the other program are displayed simultaneously only when the program

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recommending means judges that the recommended program does not match the ~~currently viewing~~other program.

3.   (Currently Amended)   The picture receiver of claim 1, ~~further comprising:~~

~~a user's input means for accepting user's input,~~

wherein the picture displaying means shifts ~~the~~a mode of display to a one-picture display of either the recommended program or the ~~currently viewing~~other program in accordance with input information from the ~~user's input means~~remote controller.

4.   (Currently Amended)   A program recommending method, comprising the steps of:

accumulating program information about programming available for the picture receiver to receive;

obtaining ~~program~~viewing information ~~of a currently viewing program~~about programming which the picture receiver has received;

~~specifying a recommended program being on the air or to be put on the air within a predetermined time in accordance with the accumulated program information, program information of the currently viewing program, and a predetermined recommendation standard~~recommending a program that is available to be received based on the obtained viewing information and the accumulated program information; ~~and~~

displaying ~~two pictures of~~the recommended program ~~specified and the currently viewing~~and an other program simultaneously; and

displaying a remote controller operation guide for selecting either the recommended program or the other program by using a remote controller simultaneously with the recommended program and the other program.

5.   (Currently Amended)   The program recommending method of claim 4,

wherein the step of displaying ~~two pictures~~the recommended program and the other program ~~displays two pictures of the recommended program and the currently viewing~~

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~~program~~occurs when the recommended program does not match the ~~currently viewing~~other program.

6.   (Currently Amended) The program recommending method of claim 4, further comprising:

a step of shifting ~~the~~ a mode from a two-picture display wherein the recommended program and the other program are displayed to a one-picture display of either the recommended program or the currently viewing program in accordance with user's input.

7.   (Currently Amended) The picture receiver of claim 2, ~~further comprising:~~

~~a user's input means for accepting user's input,~~

wherein the picture displaying means shifts ~~the~~ a mode to a one-picture display of either the recommended program or the currently viewing program in accordance with input information from the ~~user's input means~~remote controller.

8.   (Currently Amended) The program recommending method of claim 5, further comprising:

a step of shifting ~~the~~ a mode from a two-picture display wherein the recommended program and the other program are displayed to a one-picture display of either the recommended program or the currently viewing program in accordance with user's input.